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K-State's kicking miscues lead to loss at Louisiana Lafayette. Read about the game on Page 5.

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K-State's women's golf team looks to start their season strong at the Chip-N Club Invitational in Lincoln, Neb. Get the scoop on Page 8.

THE EDGE

Read about students who live life on two wheels on Page 6.



A word to the wise



Photos by Lisle Alderton | COLLEGIAN

Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences **Brian Spooner** congratulated the Keynote Speaker **Kevin Lockett**, a former K-State and professional football player and the Co-founder of the Lock-ett Up Foundation, on his speech to the audience at the 2009 inaugural College Diversity Summit for Students. "He hit the nail. **Kevin Lockett's** speech hit the mark. He perfectly announced the things students needed to hear." **Spooner** said this about **Lockett's** speech.

Lockett speaks at diversity summit

By Daniel Stewart
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Former All-American wide receiver, Kevin Lockett made a guest appearance at the 1st annual College Diversity Summit for students. The once 2nd round draft pick to the Kansas City Chiefs offered words of wisdom and advice to incoming freshmen and transfer K-State students. The entire event was geared towards acclimating students to their new surrounding and preparing them for the next four years.

After cordial introductions the stage was set for guest speaker Kevin Lockett to take the stage. He started off with a funny anecdote about his first K-State gameday experience and then gave away two signed footballs to students through a raffle. Then he began his speech.

"My life changed in the five years I was here at K-State. Your years here will help shape who you will become for the rest of your lives," he said.

Lockett said the most important thing for an individual to start off their career at K-State is to define success for themselves and stop at nothing to achieve it.

"Shoot for the moon, even if you miss you will land amongst the stars," Lockett said.

He suggested to the students that they set goals, write them down on a piece of paper and keep them somewhere you look at daily. He said he set goals himself when he first came to K-State and he did not quit.

Lockett then offered "five keys to success." First: identify your re-

sources. Lockett gestured toward the booths and the professors surrounding him, mentioning that resources like the Academic Assistance Center and the K-State tutoring center are available to everyone and should be used. Second: Work first, play later; always remember why you came up here and have fun in Aggieville ... during the day. Third: expand your horizon. Lockett said when he came up to K-State originally, there was less than 1 percent African-American students on campus and he felt a culture shock. He said putting up barriers is easier than meeting people and breaking out of your shell, but the latter is much

more beneficial. Networking starts now and the people you meet on campus today could change your life forever. Fourth: always remain positive in attitude. Lockett stressed to have an "expecting" attitude. Expect better for yourself and expect more for yourself. Finally, he concluded with, "have fun. Live it up, because after this point in your life you have a lot more bills to pay. Get involved with campus and enjoy life on campus, but always remember who you are." Lockett then stepped down from the podium, receiving a standing ovation.

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Dean Zolloman, dean of the physics department, sits in and listens to the keynote speaker, **Kevin Lockett**, at the Diversity Summit for Students in the K-State Student Union Ballroom Sunday Night.

Parking garage now charging for admittance



Matt Binter | COLLEGIAN

The tail lights of a passing car remain among the star-like glares from the lights of the parking garage Sunday night, the last day parking in the garage was open and free to the public. From now on an RFID will be required in order to park in the parking garage.

STAFF REPORT

The gates at the K-State parking garage went down today as charges are applied to those who choose to park there. Though the parking garage is not complete yet, K-State officials are confident the garage will be finished by early October.

"The parking garage is almost done; we are shooting for a finish date of the first week in October to have an elevator and the skybridge complete," said Gary Leitnaker, assistant vice president in the Division of Human Resources, in a Sept. 3 article of the Collegian. "We still have work to do on the north side, but mainly the contractor just has to finish one thing at a time."

Students, faculty, staff and visitors were able to park for free in the garage. Currently, anyone wishing to park in the garage will need to purchase a regular parking pass and a radio frequency identification card.

According to parking services' Web site, the cost of a year-long permit is \$150 for Lots O, R and J. It costs an additional \$10 to have access to the garage; this does not guarantee a space within the garage.

Fort Riley offers virtual training

By Tiffany Roney
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A soldier runs across enemy fire, crouches behind a barrier and aims at the next target.

However, he is not in battle, nor is he out on the field. He is inside a brand new, air-conditioned building where he completes his daily training.

Fort Riley's new simulation training center, the Battle Command Training Campus, opened on Aug. 15. Before 16,000 soldiers of the 1st Infantry Division deploy to Iraq later this year, they will train using the 160,000-square-foot complex. Multiple other units will take advantage of the center as well.

"We've been training soldiers for a long time – the only difference is we were spread out in several buildings," said Phyllis Fitzgerald, digital lead trainer. "Now, we're consolidated in one big building, so training has improved greatly."

Fort Riley can arrange the complex's schedule to train National Guard units, police forces, fire departments and more, said Mike McCaffrey, digital training coordinator.

"When I was in the Army, we would go to the field and find out what we were doing. Now, we go to the Battle Command Training Campus beforehand and practice with all the people at a place where you can be firing virtual bullets instead of real bullets," McCaffrey said.

Though the center cost \$29 million to build, it ultimately saves the Army both time and money, he said. A day's worth of training at one of Fort Riley's ranges can cost several thousand dollars in ammunition and fuel. With the new facility, the same activities can be repeated several times in an eight-hour session without firing a single shell or starting a single vehicle.

"We had one unit who wanted to do some marksmanship training before they went out on a range, so they came in and practiced using laser beams," McCaffrey said. "The other platoons in the company spent two or three days trying to get everybody doing what they were supposed to. They were having trouble because they hadn't practiced first."

Furthermore, the center allows soldiers to have more time with their families, said Greg Burnett, lead project manager.

"Not only are we saving [a soldier] wear and tear on his vehicle and running around on the wood-line – we're saving him nights away from home," Burnett said. "The soldier is here from 9 to 5, but he gets the same amount of training."

In addition to the group training days, soldiers can set up their own training scenarios for individual unit activities, or they can design collaborative training scenarios with units at other locations. This feature allows commanders to move their units quickly through the basic phases of skill development before they "run" during live action exercises, Burnett said.

"Now that we have the BCTC in the architecture that we operate under, we

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Local man charged with battery

By Jason Miller
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A Manhattan citizen was arrested and charged with aggravated battery and making criminal threats at 9:10 a.m. on Thursday.

Darryl Amos was arrested for injuring a minor and making criminal threats to an adult, according to a Riley County Police Department report.

Amos was removing a television from his residence when a barstool fell and struck a child causing the child's nose to bleed, said Capt. Kurt Moldrup of the RCPD.

Following the incident, police were called and the second victim, an adult female, was reportedly threatened by Amos, Moldrup said. Bail was set at \$5,000.

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STREET TALK

Q: What did you think of K-State's football loss Sat.?



“This was written off as a win at the beginning of the year and I wanted to break down what happened. It came down to the kicker.”
Scott Wesley
Alumnus



“I don't follow football close but they should have won.”
Alejandro Deluna
Junior, construction science



“I'm an architecture student and I have no relation to the outside world and this is the first time I'm hearing about it.”
Lee Watch
Freshman, architecture



“I thought we were going to pull it off.”
Edmond Rivera
Sophomore, bio chem

THE PLANNER

CAMPUS BULLETIN BOARD

Career and Employment Services is sponsoring Interview Tips Workshop with a Cerner corporate recruiter at 4 p.m. Monday in K-State Student Union Room 213. For more information, visit k-state.edu/ces.

RecServices is accepting entries for the faculty/staff golf tournament taking place at the Wamego golf course on Friday. All current and retired K-State faculty and staff, graduate assistants and full-time employees are eligible to participate. Sign up in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex before Tuesday. For more information, contact Armando Espinoza at 785-532-6980.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Sandeep Rana at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Chemistry/Biochemistry Building 437. The thesis topic is "Synthesis, Biophysical Analysis and Biological Evaluation of Trycyclic Pyrones and Pyridinones as Anti-Alzheimer Agents."

Representatives from CIMBA Study Abroad in Italy will be hosting an information session from 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Tuesday in Calvin 209. For more information or questions e-mail cimba@ksu.edu

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Irene Nephew at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Bluemont 257. The thesis topic is "An Ethnographic Content Analysis of Children's Fiction Picture Books Reflecting African American Culture Published 2001-2005."

The K-State Challenge Course is offering a High Ropes Challenge event from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday. Come experience the power pole, heebie jeebie, flying squirrel and giant swing. Sign up in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex before Wednesday. This event is for K-State students, faculty and staff and the general public. For more information and costs, go online to recservices.k-state.edu or call 785-532-6980.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Kristina Henderson at 10 a.m. Sept. 23 in Bluemont 16E. The thesis topic is "The Effects of a Cognitive Information Processing Career Intervention on the Dysfunctional Career Thoughts and Locus of Control of Underprepared College Students."

Interested in representing K-State at events throughout the state? Apply to be a K-State Student Ambassador. Job descriptions and applications are now available online at k-state.com/studentambassadors. Applications are due by 5 p.m. Sept. 23.

The Planner is the Collegian's bulletin board service. To place an item in the Planner, stop by Kedzie 116 and fill out a form or e-mail news editor Sarah Rajewski at news@spub.ksu.edu by 11 a.m. two days before it is to run. Some items might not appear because of space constraints but are guaranteed to appear on the day of the activity.

QUESTION OF THE DAY

Make sure to read Page 8 for a preview of "Good Dick."

Will you go see the movie "Good Dick"?

A) Yes B) No

To submit your answer, visit kstatecollegian.com. Results for the question of the day will be posted in the following issue of the Collegian.

Friday's results: How much did you spend on textbooks this semester?

A) Less than \$100: 9 % B) \$100-\$199: 9 % C) \$200-\$299: 15% D) \$300 or more: 67%

CORRECTIONS

AND CLARIFICATIONS

There was an error in the Sept. 11 issue of the Collegian.

The photo caption for the Sept. 11 memorial said that the Sept. 11 attacks occurred nine years ago when they actually occurred eight years ago. The Collegian regrets the error.

If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, call news editor Sarah Rajewski at 785-532-6556 or e-mail news@spub.ksu.edu.

DAILY BLOTTER



To view the daily arrest report from the Riley County Police Department, go to the Collegian Web site, kstatecollegian.com.

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FILMS: "Good Dick" -Meet & greet with the stars from the film 7pm • Forum Hall • Ground Floor

Tuesday, September 15

FORUMS: Constitution Day Booth, through Thursday noon-1pm • Union Foodcourt • First Floor

UPC AII MEETING - Free Food 5:30pm • Union Station • Ground Floor

MULTICULTURAL: Gina Brillion -comedian 8pm • Forum Hall • Ground Floor

Wednesday, September 16

ENTERTAINMENT: Justin Kredible - "Like a magician, but cooler" 9pm • Union Ballroom • Second Floor

Thursday, September 17

FORUMS: Constitution Day Court Docket 11am-noon • 1-2pm • Forum Hall • Ground Floor

Friday, September 18

MUSIC: 23rd Annual OPUS Band Competition 6-10:30pm • Old Stadium

AFTER HOURS: Inflatable Obstacle Course & Airbrush Tattoos 6-10pm • Old Stadium

FILMS: "The Proposal" 8pm • Forum Hall • Ground Floor • \$1 Also 7 & 9:30pm Saturday and 8pm Sunday • \$2

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College Republicans remember victims at 9/11 service

By Tim Schrag
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

For a brief moment the air was silent and somber in Bosco Student Plaza on Friday as the K-State College Republicans held a memorial service for the fallen victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The service began at about 9:11 a.m. with an invocation from Rev. Paul Barkey, a retired Army chaplain and pastor of Ashland Community Church.

“We want to just pause for a few moments and just remember what took place,” said Barkey. “It’s important that we remember because that will have an effect on our actions in the future and what we do to prevent as well as to rectify what took place on that morning.”

Barkey said he thinks it is important to remember the events that took place on Sept. 11 because of lessons we can learn from the past.

“There are lots of things we can learn from the 9/11 event and I think lots of them have been implemented in our society but it is important to watch out for one another and realize that even though we are a peaceful people there are people in the world who would seek to do us harm because of are beliefs and what we stand for,” Barkey said.

Barkey said he hoped that everyone at K-State took some time during their day

Friday to remember those that gave up their lives during the attack.

Also presiding over the memorial was Rick Neubauer, pastor of First Baptist Church.

Neubauer said he thought it was important for everyone to take time out of their day to reflect on the attack.

“At that time we lived in a nation that took our safety, our security for granted and that everything happened on the other side of the world,” Neubauer said.

Doug Shane, junior in animal science and industry and pre-vet and president of College Republicans, said the club sponsored the memorial because they didn’t think any kind of formal ceremony was scheduled to take place on campus to remember the Sept. 11 attacks.

“We believe that people much too often forget what happened on this morning eight years ago,” Shane said.

Shane said the club was selling T-shirts as a way to remember the tragedy that America has faced.

Shane also said all of the proceeds went to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, a group that is dedicated to helping the family members of fallen firefighters. The shirts sold for \$10 each.

“Our goal was to raise \$500 and we’ve reached that mark,” Shane said. “And I’m going to be really glad to send that check to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.”



Chelsy Lueth | COLLEGIAN

Amy Ackerman, senior in elementary education, stands in prayer in Bosco Student Plaza Friday morning at 9:11. K-State College Republicans held a memorial service for victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Nick Charles returns to Manhattan for concert

By Michael Shoemaker
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The critically-acclaimed acoustic musician, Nick Charles, played Friday night at the Manhattan Arts Center.

Charles played to a nearly-packed house in the performance area of the arts center, that was filled with patrons from ages 40 to 70.

Charles’ music is more eclectic than other artists; he plays a mixture of folk, country and blues, as well as cover songs by various other artists such as his first song of the night, “One Too Many Mornings,” originally performed by Bob Dylan. While shaking his head and tapping his foot, Charles shows that he really has fun with what he does, as he played “Windy and Warm,” written by Doc Watson.

Charles does not limit himself to cover songs; he also writes and performs original pieces as well. Following some cover songs, Charles played an original song of his that was inspired by his concert in New Mexico.

Charles said during the performance that he is an artist that pulls inspiration by travel and life experiences. It was snowing during his

trip to Memphis, and in the middle of the night after a show, he decided to take a walk and hopped on a tramcar. These events inspired the song, “The New Memphis Blues.”

“I started playing guitar when I was 15,” Charles said during the intermission.

Charles has played shows all over his homeland of Australia, and as a growing musician, he showed a love and appreciation for the “Old Blues” and bands like The Beatles.

“He’s an incredible musician, with a variety of styles” said fan Tom Barstow. “He was very enjoyable and entertaining.”

Charles has a dedicated following, some fans have seen both of the shows he has done in Manhattan, and some have traveled great distances to see him.

“I consider him the greatest guitarist you will ever find,” John Charles, another fan, said. “I own all of his albums and have even traveled all the way to Australia to watch him perform.”

The crowd was very pleased with Charles’ performance on Friday as they finished up the night cheering for an encore and giving him a standing ovation.

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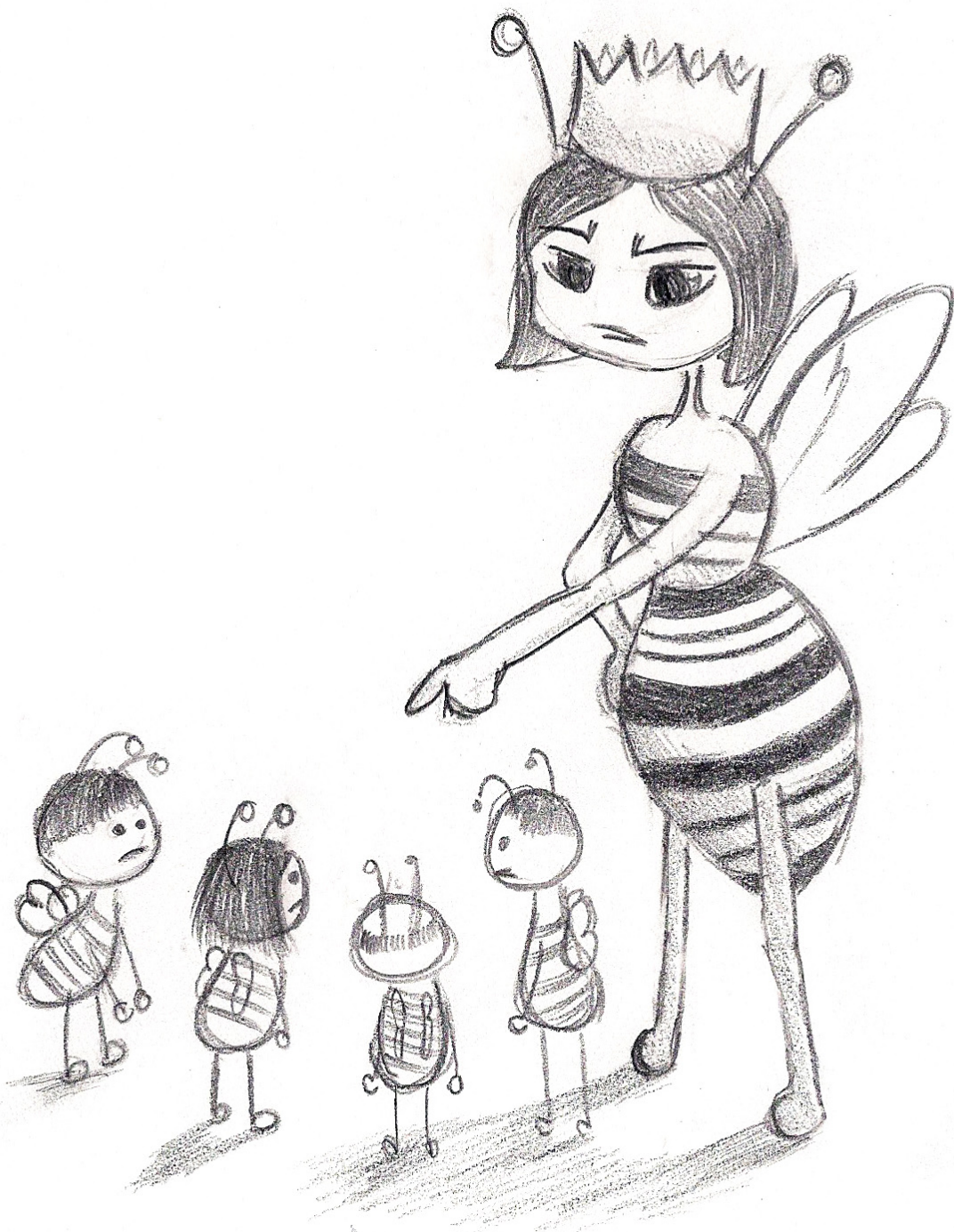


Illustration by Whitney Bandel

Women of K-State stand up for each other

If you haven't already, make way for the women at K-State. After last week's public launch of the "Women of K-State" initiative, we will be hearing a lot more about the groundbreaking achievements of women on campus and in the community – and that is an exciting prospect for everyone, regardless of gender.



MOLLY HAMM

First Lady Noel Schulz and other women leaders of the initiative, along with its many members, hope to connect the existing work being done with and for women, while also building community among women.

This is especially important in light of what many have tapped as a troubling trend among women in the workplace, and what Marie Claire magazine calls "the pink ceiling." Among powerful women, it is not uncommon for sabotage to occur as talented women compete for the same recognition.

It seems counterintuitive, and also playing into the stereotypes of women (but that's another article). Yet for many women, if their leadership has been widely accepted, they often protect that leadership by ensuring that other talented women don't threaten their position.

As Marie Claire magazine puts it, "researchers have even coined a name for the

phenomenon: Queen Bee Syndrome – the need for women bosses to preserve their power at all costs, even if it means throwing a few sisters under the bus along the way."

A New York Times article last May entitled "Women Bullying Women at Work" says that an increase in aggressive behaviors in the workplace (among both genders) can be attributed to rising stress levels based on economic uncertainty.

While the Workplace Bullying Institute found that 60 percent of these so-called bullies are men, the 40 percent of women bullies in the workplace tend to "prefer their own kind, choosing other women as targets more than 70 percent of the time." This kind of behavior has leadership specialists investigating the root causes of such bullying.

The New York Times article aptly points out that there are multiple points to consider: "are women being 'overly aggressive' because there are too few opportunities for advancement? Or is it stereotyping and women are only perceived as being overly aggressive? Is there a double standard at work?"

I think there is.

In 2007, Catalyst, a nonprofit research group, conducted research on gender stereotyping and found that "no matter how women choose to lead, they are perceived as 'never just right.' If women business leaders act consistent with gender stereotypes, they are considered too soft and if they go against gender stereotypes, they are considered too tough."

Hillary Clinton's presidential bid

comes immediately to mind. Those who feel threatened by powerful women often resort to name-calling and pejoratives to undermine their success – focusing on irrelevant, and gender stereotypical characteristics to do so.

So this bullying does not only happen between and among women. It is a much larger phenomenon that women today face, regardless of how many opportunities have been opened up to them.

Canadian researcher Grace Lau predicts that one way to avoid the sabotage and bullying that can pop up among women in the workplace is to "remind women that they are members of the same group." She also stated that "a sense of pride in women's accomplishments is important in getting women to help one another" and "to have this sense of pride, women need to be aware of their shared identity as women."

That's just one of many reasons why I am so excited for the Women of K-State initiative. It not only focuses on promoting successes and achievements within the female community, but also strengthens ties between women of all backgrounds, working professionals or not.

Efforts like this have the potential to erase "the pink ceiling" and to break through the one made of glass.

Molly Hamm is a senior in education and international studies. Please send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu.

THE FOURUM
785-395-4444

The Campus Fourum is the Collegian's anonymous call-in system. The Fourum is edited to eliminate vulgar, racist, obscene and libelous comments. The comments are not the opinion of the Collegian nor are they endorsed by the editorial staff.

Hehe hehe.

Hey Mitch: Sorry to tell you this, but the Beatles have been a sellout from the beginning. I mean, you could buy a lunchbox from the 60s.

Hey Jessie Dowel: You think you're better than me?

Hey Jessie Dowel: No one makes me bleed my own blood. Nobody.

23 songs? That's 22 worse than it should be!

My boyfriend is better than yours, just saying.

Fourum! What up man! I mean person, my bad.

My roommate just kicked my butt. Literally.

So, my ex-girlfriend just started going out with a guy that could pass for my twin. Should that be weird for me or for her?

My favorite part of Beth Mendenhall's articles is the part where I draw a mustache on her picture.

How did my abortion joke get in, but none of my dead baby jokes did? Manhattan, Kan., you conservative people.

That tasted like cheese. I haven't eaten cheese. I'm confused.

I just wanted to let you know that Dr. Reese has got dope skis.

Beware of the stoner.

I hate people who talk to the Fourum like it is a person. It is an answering machine that doesn't have emotions or opposable thumbs.

Your face.

Everybody needs to Google search "Up the butt coconut".

Up butt coconut. Up butt coconut. Up butt coconut. Up butt coconut.

If you get bored while watching "Project Runway," make it into a drinking game. Drink when the designers freak out, when Tim Gunn raises his eyebrow and when Heidi Klum gets annoying. Carry on.

Ice and fire don't really have much luck together, do they?

Hey, Patrick Bale, thanks for the movie spoiler. I bet your third graders will appreciate that too.

Shut up Chaos, you ruined my Fourum.

I just saw Scooter Boy do the sweetest jump outside the Union in Bosco Plaza.

Anybody ever realize that the bike lane in front of Anderson Hall runs south, but the car lane runs north? Just thought I'd point that out.



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EPA jurisdiction line leaves Treece helpless

What was once a prosperous community is now one of the saddest places on this earth. You do not have to travel far to visit Treece, Kan. There you will witness eyes lined with sadness as exhausted souls hold tight to hope.

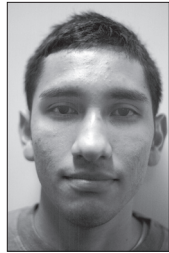
Less than a mile south of Treece is Picher, Okla. "These two small towns are separated by the state line, but are essentially one community," said Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Service, in a 2006 press release.

In fact, Treece and Picher were once united as one city, Treece Mayor Bill Blank said.

"[In 1918 Oklahoma] moved on," said Blank. "Oklahoma did not want to have anything else to do with us, so Kansas had no choice but to pick us up."

Both Treece and Picher hold great historical significance, as they produced large amounts of lead and zinc used to make bullets for both world wars. Treece and Picher were not much different than other small towns. They were home to two grocery stores, a movie theater, bars and restaurants, and many more small businesses.

Today, millions of tons of mine waste dust, called chat, filled with lead, cadmium and zinc billows through the air blanketing cars, houses and community members. The community is tainted



BOBBY GOMEZ

with hazardous waste which causes serious health issues to the brain and nervous system, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

In 1980, the federal government created the Superfund Program under the EPA to clean up uncontrolled or abandoned hazardous waste in cities like Treece and Picher. Under the program, the state financially supports 10 percent of the cleanup and the federal government will cover the rest. Special appropriations are made to purchase the property and provide compensation for the residents of the area to move to a safer location through the program, too.

As of now only Picher has been compensated by the federal government, leaving the residents of Treece to bear witness as their neighbors and friends moved for a safer and healthier life. Treece was not supported by the appropriations made to Picher simply because the appropriations came from EPA district six; Kansas falls under EPA district seven.

As Picher left, so too did the infrastructure of Treece. For three years - since April 2006 - the citizens of Treece have been begging for support from the federal government. There is no longer a police department, fire department, post office, medical center or even a grocery store in the community because all of those were located in Picher. Treece's infrastructure consists of only one business, Moreland Tires.

A little over 100 residents remain prisoners in their hometown as it is impossible to get

a loan or sell their home because their property is so undermined, a catastrophic soil collapse is likely to occur. Many cannot purchase a new home because they do not have the financial means, and do not know how much money the government will lend them. For now the residents of Treece wait - like they have been - as they continue to witness the effects of chat on themselves, their loved ones, and their children.

Treece is a town soaked with sorrow. With the grocery stores, movie theater, and bars and restaurants all gone, joy for these citizens is found in the little things, memories of the past and hope for a future.

With the billions being put into the stimulus package and the trillions our country has spent over the past decade, how is it our government cannot find the time and financial support for a small town in Kansas? If this took place in a larger city like New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, or even Kansas City, I assume the government would act immediately. Are the lives of those in a small town not as valuable or important as those in a hectic metropolis?

We can only assume so, as long as the lives abandoned in Treece continue to suffer and wait for answers and assistance.

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Cats get caged

Cajuns' field goal tops Wildcat rally



Daniel Thomas, junior running back, tucks and runs during the season-opening win against University of Massachusetts on September 5th. K-State lost to Louisiana-Lafayette this past Saturday 15-17, even with **Thomas'** 158 total offensive yards.

By Aaron Weiser
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

In another week of painful losses for the Big 12, K-State finished on the bottom half of a 17-15 contest at Louisiana-Lafayette. With a lethal combination of the offense's lack of scoring and three field goal attempts gone sour, the Wildcats see their record fall to 1-1 this season while the Cajuns move to 2-0.

The competition for quarterback is still a distraction for K-State's struggling offense as junior Carson Coffman and senior Grant Gregory limped through the first quarter. Completing just 1-8 passes for six yards, the two quarterbacks failed to complete a third down conversion until the fourth quarter.

"As you can see we struggled and we've got to have someone step up and make plays for us," said head coach Bill Snyder, after the game. "We had some inconsistencies there. There's one thing I do know is that they both give all of their effort in practice and in film stud."

Junior running back Daniel Thomas churned out 136 yards on the ground while pounding in his first touchdown of the year and throwing for another. With two consecutive 100-yard rushing games, Thomas' skills on the ground continue to be a glimmer of hope for a slow-starting K-State offense.

Defensively, K-State proved it continues to be more and more solid all. After forcing the Cajuns to fumble on their initial drive, sophomore defensive back Tysyn Hartman went to lead the team with six solo tackles. The Wildcats' defense maintained its solid play through the first quarter, as the team went ahead 2-0 in the first quarter with a score after a safety when K-State pinned Louisiana on their own five with a punt.

In a second quarter turnaround, the Cajuns steam-rolled K-State with 14 unanswered points. Led by an aerial assault that notched out 102 yards in the second quarter alone, the Cajuns combi-

nation of quarterback Chris Masson and running back Undrea Sails were too hot to handle for the blistered K-State defense.

As the Wildcats headed to the locker rooms, a sad gloom was seen on the faces of K-State fans everywhere; realizing their team had failed to put up any points after the early safety, and seeing the special teams botch every opportunity that presented itself.

The second half started off just as disappointing for the Wildcats, as K-State could not hit paydirt whenever they gained possession. Defensively, the Wildcats returned to form, holding the Cajuns to no points in the third quarter. As the period came to a close, the Wildcats offense found itself knocking on the redzone door again.

As K-State worked its way down the field at the end of the third, a 67-yard drive was capped off as Thomas, took a direct snap, leapt in the air and tossed the touchdown pass to senior tight end Jeron Mastrud, who snagged it and put up the first points of the second half. A missed extra point kept the Cajuns' lead at 14-8.

The Wildcats were far from done as they got the taste of the drive back in their palates and were hungry for more. After forcing a quick three-and-out, K-State got the ball back on its own 28 yard line. But after a penalty, the Wildcats were forced to start deep in their own redzone. Pounding the ball on the ground, which would eventually open up the passing game, Coffman and Thomas marched the team down the field for another quick score. Punter Josh Cherry made the extra point, and K-State took the lead for the first time since the second quarter at 15-14.

After a couple of quick and unsuccessful bouts for the Cajuns and Wildcats, Louisiana got the ball back with 3:50 left in the game. Continuing his throwing onslaught, Masson battered the Wildcats back to their own 30 yard line be-

See FOOTBALL, Page 9

Cats drop two matches at home tournament

By Justin Nutter
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The No. 21 Wildcat volleyball team returned to action this weekend as it hosted the Varney's K-State Invitational at Ahearn Field House. The four-team tournament featured quality opponents in Kentucky, Portland and Purdue.

The Wildcats (6-4) began the tournament facing No. 17 Kentucky (10-0) on Friday. Kentucky grabbed a 1-0 lead, downing the Wildcats 25-19 in the second set, but K-State responded with a 25-21 win in the ensuing set to even the match at 1-1. The Wildcats appeared to be on the cusp of a 2-1 advantage after using a late run to knot the third set at 22-22, but a service error and a Kentucky service ace doomed K-State in a 23-25 loss. Kentucky then gained a 15-2 lead in the fourth and final set. K-State found its rhythm late, but the early deficit was too much to overcome as Kentucky took the last set 25-15 to clinch the match.

"You're going to have a hard time battling back from that kind of a deficit," said head coach Suzie Fritz, after the match. "I thought we played well after we finally got out

of those rotations, but we can't put ourselves in that position."

K-State was led by redshirt-freshman outside hitter Kathleen Ludwig, who tallied 12 kills. The loss marked the first for K-State in its home tournament since a setback against Minnesota in 2005.

Saturday started off better for the Wildcats as they downed the Portland Pilots (2-9) in five sets, winning by scores of 25-19, 25-17, 20-25, 23-25 and 15-5. Senior outside hitter Kelsey Chipman had her strongest showing of the year with 17 kills and a .500 hitting percentage. Freshman outside hitter Caitlyn Donahue had a big night posting a double-double with 14 kills and 18 digs. The Wildcats defense held the Pilots with a hitting percentage under .200 and posting 13 blocks.

In its final match of the tournament, K-State faced Purdue on Saturday evening. The Wildcats were not able to avenge last season's loss to the Boilermakers, as Purdue downed the Wildcats in five sets by scores of 24-26, 25-22, 25-15 and 20-25 and 15-12. Leading the way for K-State was Ludwig, who notched 15 kills and three service aces. Junior outside hitter JuliAnne



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Members of the K-State volleyball team gaze at an official in disbelief after the loss to Purdue Saturday night in the Varney's K-State Invitational.

Chisholm was the only other Wildcat with double figures in kills at 13 and managed a .235 hitting percentage. The Wildcat offense had trouble getting started as they were held below a .200 hitting percentage in every set but the fourth, when it hit .256 as a team. Sophomore middle hitter Tiffany Fisher led the way for

the Boilermakers with 18 kills and a .455 hitting percentage.

After the conclusion of the final match, the all-tournament team was announced. Chipman was the only Wildcat honored.

The Wildcats return Wednesday, taking on the Oklahoma Sooners (7-2) in Ahearn Field House.

WEEKLY FAN POLL - SEPT. 14

Which K-State team will have the most success this season?

- A. Volleyball
- B. Men's basketball
- C. Women's basketball
- D. Baseball
- E. Other

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Will you attend the K-State volleyball tournament at Ahearn Field House this weekend?


- A. Yes - 39 votes (19%)
- B. No - 163 votes (81%)

Total votes: 202

Vote online at kstatecollegian.com and check next Monday's issue for this week's results.



K-STATE ATHLETIC SCHEDULE: SEPT. 14 - 20

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Women's golf at Chip-N Club Invitational (Season opener) Time TBA Lincoln, Neb.	Women's golf at Chip-N Club Invitational Time TBA Lincoln, Neb.,	Volleyball vs. Oklahoma (Big 12 opener) 7 p.m. Ahearn Field House,			Cross Country at Missouri State Time TBA Springfield, Mo. Volleyball at Baylor 1 p.m. Waco, Texas, Football at UCLA (Live on FSN) 9:15 p.m. Pasadena, Calif.,	

ENTERTAINMENT

ELTON JOHN TO ADOPT

Elton John got more than he bargained for on a tour of a Ukrainian orphanage Saturday – a toddler who captured his heart.

The singer told reporters his partner, David Furnish, “always wanted to adopt a child and I always said ‘no,’ because I am 62 and because of the traveling I do.”

But after meeting Lev, a Ukrainian toddler, John said he changed his mind and wants to adopt the child. He acknowledged potential bureaucratic problems with the international adoption, but added that the child has “stolen his heart.”

John and Furnish toured the orphanage (where many of the children’s parents have died from AIDS) as part of his Elton John AIDS Foundation initiatives.



John

DESIGNER DYES DRESS IN TOILET

Designers on Lifetime’s “Project Runway” will go to any length to have the winning design, even if that requires putting a dress in the toilet.

Designer Ra’mon-Lawrence Coleman dyed his winning neon green neoprene avantgarde dress in the toilet, Tim Gunn revealed to People magazine on Thursday.

Coleman wanted a deeper basin to dye the garment, so he used the deepest dish of water he had.

Gunn quickly convinced the designer to switch to using a sink. “I just said, you’ve got to get it out of there. Get it out. Out, out, out.”

Gunn wasn’t the only one appalled by Coleman’s idea. His model had to wear his still-wet creation down the runway minutes later.

“It was one big hot mess, and his model was refusing to wear it because she knew it had been in the toilet. I had a showdown with her in the sewing room about how you’re a professional, this is what you have to do,” Gunn said.

3 DOORS DOWN MEMBER MARRIES

Brad Arnold, lead singer of platinum-selling rock band 3 Doors Down, married horseback rider Jennifer Sand-erford in their hometown of Escatawpa, Miss., Saturday.

In their “simple but pretty” 120 guest ceremony, Arnold said the bride opted against reciting vows.

“We were going to write our own vows and she said, ‘That’s not fair, you’re a writer. Please don’t make me say anything.’ I said, ‘Baby, you at least have to say I do.’”

The couple were childhood friends and reconnected on a blind date after Arnold split from his first wife in 2006.

Though the singer did not take to the mic at the reception, which was held about 20 miles from the church, Arnold says music still played a key part in their big day, and he made sure the disc jockey played the tune “Meet Me in Montana,” which they both love.

After the wedding, the couple went to Kauai, Hawaii, for their honeymoon to “ride a zip line, find a waterfall to jump off of and go horseback riding.”

3 Doors Down will start work on a new record in the coming months. “I feel like the name of the record should be ‘Standing in the Sun’ now,” says Arnold. “I couldn’t ask for anything more in my life.”



Arnold

-People.com

Hardly a Harley ...

Motorcycle owners find bikes a practical hobby

By Ashley Dunkak
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

By now, most on campus have grown accustomed to seeing and hearing motorcycles fairly often. Why exactly are so many students, as well as some faculty members, so enthusiastic about this mode of transportation?

While there are practical reasons, like gas mileage, parking advantages and the ease of getting around a college town, these factors rarely influence one’s decision to purchase a motorcycle. Those who ride say they love the sensation.

Erik Ahlen, sophomore in wildlife and outdoor enterprise management, now 20, first rode a motorcycle with his cousin when he was 12 years old. This summer he plans to ride to South Carolina and back, hitting all the major rallies along the way.

“It’s a sense of freedom you’re not going to get on anything else,” Ahlen said. “When you’re on that road, two tires, open road, nothing around you, there’s not a worry in the world.”

Evan Post, sophomore in civil engineering, said he bought his motorcycle because he hated parking on campus, but that it has become much more than an easy-to-park transportation method.

“Once you’ve been on for a while it kind of becomes part of you,” Post said. “It’d pretty much have to kill me before I thought about staying off. It just gets in your blood and becomes a passion.”

For those who have not experienced the thrill, Post said he feels it is sometimes difficult to let someone close ride off on a motorcycle and not worry.

When Scott Staggenborg, professor of agronomy, got his most recent motorcycle a year and a half ago, he said he encountered opposition on multiple fronts.

“Not many of [my family and friends] were that supportive of it,” Staggenborg said. “My mom and dad hate it. My older brothers, who all owned motorcycles when we were growing up now say, ‘Oh, I can’t believe you bought one; you’re going to kill yourself.’ My wife didn’t want me to get it at first.”

Acquaintances of motorcycle owners sometimes find that being close to someone who rides can be problematic, but Staggenborg said there is a good reason why.

“Everybody at work thinks it’s all right, but they don’t have to do anything but go to a funeral if things go bad, I guess,” Staggenborg said.

Riding a motorcycle is inherently dangerous, but that is part of the draw. Additionally, much of the danger comes not from the motorcycle, but from other drivers. Unfortunately, death is always a possibility.

“There’s no airbag, no seatbelt. If you hit somebody ... that could be it,” Post said.

Steve Martini, director of Recreational Services, has two motorcycles, one of which he is rebuilding.

“People react differently to cars versus motorcycles,” Martini said. “They don’t see motorcycles as an entity on the road as much as they would a vehicle.”

Remaining safe, however, is largely a matter of remaining aware.

“You always have to be watching out



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Those who ride motorcycles say they love the sensation. There are also practical reasons, like gas mileage, parking advantages and the ease of getting around a college town.

for people,” Post said. “People pull out in front of you all the time. It makes you a better driver because you’re completely focused on driving.”

Staggenborg uses the mantra he utilized while teaching his daughter how to drive a car.

“Just pretend everyone’s trying to kill you,” he said.

Another question of safety is whether or not to wear a helmet. Ahlen, who never wears a helmet, said he prefers to “ride free,” while the other riders reported that they usually wear one. However, none of them said that helmets should be mandated by law.

“I know it’s right for me to wear a helmet,” Martini said. “I guess it’s an individual choice thing.”

Robert Schweiger, sophomore in civil engineering, took about a year rebuilding the first motorcycle he purchased. He said helmets can actually be a hindrance

on the road.

“Helmets in general create big blind spots because of where they come up to on your face,” Schweiger said. “They do kind of, in a way, make it more dangerous because you can’t see there.”

While accidents are a real possibility, especially because larger vehicles do not have great visibility, the four riders said that they cannot imagine a wreck keeping them off a bike.

“I’ve wondered about that,” Staggenborg said. “If you had a bad accident, would you have the courage to get back on? I sit here today and say, ‘I think I would,’ but I haven’t lived through it, so I don’t know.”

All risks aside, riders said the hobby was one of the most relaxing, enjoyable activities they’ve experienced.

“It definitely has more pros than cons when you weigh it all out,” Post said. “As long as you’re level-headed and careful, it’s something to get into I think.”



Left: Civil engineering sophomore, **Evan Post**, said he bought his motorcycle after having problems parking on campus.

Right: Sophomore in wildlife and outdoor enterprise management, **Erik Ahlen**, plans to ride to South Carolina and back this summer, hitting all the major bike rallies along the way.



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-By Elena Buckner

Sun day



Fair weather skies permitted Manhattan residents to enjoy Sunday afternoon outside. **The Klemm family** and friends gather outside their home on 314 South Manhattan Avenue to socialize on their lawn.

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Beach Museum fundraiser helps purchase Kansas art

By Hannah Loftus
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The sixth annual Friends of the Beach Museum of Art fundraiser was held over the weekend to support the arts at K-State. Money raised will help support the purchase of works by regional artists who represent the best of Kansas' visual arts culture.

Bob Snell, retired faculty mem-

ber in the K-State civil engineering department, said he loves to visit the museum and enjoy the artwork that Kansas artists do.

"I have been to this event many times, and it is always very lovely to see what kind of funds we can raise to support Kansas artists," Snell said.

Ladonna Piper, the events membership coordinator, said that

the museum is not a state supported endeavor, so they host events such as this to raise funds for the arts.

"Hopefully tonight's events will raise over \$30,000," Piper said.

Piper also said that though there were 150 people in attendance, many people were not at the event because they attended the K-State football game in Louisiana.

"Some of the people who nor-

mally come are not here this evening, they are down in Louisiana supporting the football team, so we have a little bit smaller turnout, but it was a successful event," Piper said.

Tickets to the event were \$125. Entertainment provided by Donna Tucker, a Wichita based jazz vocalist and performer.

"Donna is a great singer and provides wonderful entertainment

to any venue she is playing at," said Bob McCaustland, retired vet school alumnus.

McCaustland said that he always comes to the event every year with high hopes and he loves to support arts at K-State.

Lorne Render, director of the museum, said this is a major fundraiser, and he hopes to see several pieces purchased with the funds.

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UPC brings film “Good Dick” to K-State

By Karen Ingram
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Union Program Council will show the independent film, “Good Dick” in Forum Hall at 7:00 tonight. Actors Jason Ritter and Marianna Palka, who also wrote and directed the film, will be available for a discussion afterward.

“Good Dick” is about a woman haunted by something in her past who becomes the love interest of a video store clerk determined to bring her out of her shell. The film has been shown at numerous film festivals, including the 2008 Sundance Film Festival, where it was nominated for a Grand Jury Prize. Palka won the New Director’s Award at the Edinburgh International Film Festival for the film. “Good Dick” also won several awards at the Southern Appalachian International Film Festival.

Christina Ballew, UPC film chair and sophomore in restaura-

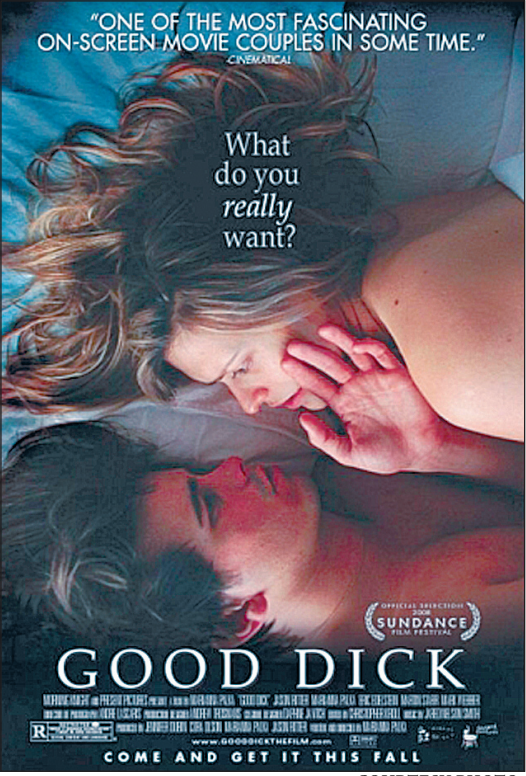
rant management, who had the opportunity to screen the film on Friday, said she believes that viewers will be pleasantly surprised by it.

“It’s an awkward love story,” Ballew said. “It was very intriguing, every minute you don’t know what’s going to happen. It shows you that people can change and that everyone has an influence over one another.”

Co-chair Alicia Shankle, senior in marketing, has not seen the film yet, but she said that she remembers actor Ritter from the TV show “Joan of Arcadia,” and is looking forward to the discussion after the film.

“It’s a great opportunity for everyone to get to know the actors,” Shankle said. “I think it’s going to appeal to a lot of theater and women’s studies students.”

Admission to the film and the discussion afterward is free, but seating is limited. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.



COURTESY PHOTO

Women’s golf to begin season in Lincoln

By Tyler Scott
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Golf season is back, and the women’s Wildcat golf team head north to open up what appears to be a promising season.

The team will compete in the Chip-N Club Invitational at Wilderness Ridge Golf Course in Lincoln, Neb.

The Wildcats come off a fourth place finish in last year’s Big 12 Conference Tournament in Lubbock, Texas

Last year in Lincoln, the team finished eighth out of 13 teams. They will look to rebound off that performance today and tomorrow.

The invitational features Big 12 foes KU, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and University of Missouri. Non-conference

participants include Arkansas-Little Rock, Illinois State and Sacramento State universities.

Kristi Knight, head coach for the Wildcats, said the team’s goals are for the present rather than the future.

“I would like to see each lady focus on the process,” Knight said. “Each lady knows what they need to do and it’s a day to day progression.”

There are eight returning starters, and each one will look to perform well and start their own hot streaks for the season.

Knight said the team has a lot of positives, and that she is geared up for her team to succeed.

“I was very pleased with how we played in the qualifying tournament,” Knight said. “Competition definitely reveals character.”

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FOOTBALL | Second half come back falls short

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fore the Cajuns brought in their rookie kicker to attempt a 48 yard game winner. With just 37 seconds left on the clock, Tyler Albrecht, who was attempting his first collegiate field goal ever, split the uprights to give the lead back to Louisiana 17-15.

“It was a big kick but I was just trying to treat it like any other,” Albrecht said. “For my first field goal of course I was nervous. I did it once in high school. I hit it real solid. I knew it had the distance but was leaning to the left a little but they grabbed me before I saw. Hero or zero. That’s what my dad says. I went over it a couple times in my head. I

had already made it before I kicked it.”

K-State got the ball back with under a minute to go, but couldn’t capitalize as it watched its late rally go for naught as the game clock hit zero.

“I was proud of the fact that we came back and played better in the second half,” Snyder said. “I wasn’t unhappy about our effort. Defense gave up only three points in the second half. We understand what our limitations are, but I was pleased with how we didn’t give up in the second half.”

K-State will be on the road yet again next week as they head to Pasadena, Calif., to take on a 2-0 UCLA team that took down Tennessee last Saturday in Knoxville, Tenn. Kickoff is set for 9:15 p.m.

TRAINING | Virtual training saves money

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have the ability to reach out to units not from Fort Riley,” Burnett said. “For example, coming up in December, ours is the primary training unit for a battalion that is on the East Coast as a National Guard unit. They’ll go to their BCTC, we’ll link them in here to the virtual world and we’ll coordinate training – like if they were with us here.”

The complex also uses technology to determine coordinates and instructions for firing artillery rounds at enemy locations, McCaffrey said. While the majority of the benefits of the center’s features deal with time and money, he said the primary benefit of the artillery technology affects a different factor – noise.

“Artillery shells are very expensive – they’re loud, they disturb the environment and they disturb the people in the area,” McCaffrey said. “If you go and practice using these things beforehand, then you don’t shoot near as many bullets.”

Construction of the complex began in 2007 under the Base Realignment and Closure Commission.

“The facilities should without a doubt continue to be a great asset to Fort Riley, and the capability that we have to train soldiers here,” Fitzgerald said. “If anything, it will just continue to become better as we move on into the future.”

DIVERSITY | Student groups represented

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professor in the division of biology, said this event had been nearly a year in the making and was created with a focus for new students and underrepresented students in the K-State community, namely minority groups.

“I want this event to help all the students learn about all the resources at K-State,” Passarelli said. “There are so many tools to help students succeed at K-State. There are offices for financial and academic help all around. This event is here to teach them the ins and outs of everything.”

Brainstorming for this event began about a year ago. The College of Arts and Sciences created a College Diversity Committee of 16

students, staff and faculty to brainstorm needs for the student and how to make organizations, tools and help more accessible to them.

The event had several booths which represented multiple student organizations across campus; ranging from the American Ethnic Studies department, Diverse Mass Communicators, K-State Asian-American Student Union to International Coordinating Council. The summit made easy for students to find information on these groups. Professors and heads from the departments of humanities, mass communications, kinesiology, mathematics, biology, English, chemistry, and art were there as well to welcome students to K-State.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Beatles justified in updating music

Dear Editor,

At the risk of sounding like that crazy old man Dana Carvey created on Saturday Night Live (back in the day) ... When I was a Beatles maniac, we couldn't get enough of the Beatles and I still feel that way (Flibberty Flubberty).

Furthermore, any true artist knows none of us are ever done tinkering with our art. I remember reading a quote from a writer once who stated that we all long for one more rewrite.

In fact - between now and my days as a Beatles maniac - I wrote for the Collegian, and I remember I always wanted to interview just one more person, but there was that darned deadline. What I am trying to say, Dear Mitchell, is that I disagree with your opinion.

From the first time I saw the Beatles on the Ed Sullivan Show, their music has been the background music to my life. That is what I and other fans have been hearing for well over 40 years, and will for another 40, karma-willing.

For your clarification, they tinkered with their sound almost from day one. It is a well-known secret that John Lennon almost always had his voice electronically enhanced in the studio.

Hey, man, we might be old, but we are not dead. I really do not think it is your place to decide whether or not the "Rock Band" game is degrading. Why can't we have fun? Are you the Collegian's official "Captain Bring Down?"

Seriously. Lighten up.

Life is a groovy trip, and if you are lucky, someone like William Shakespeare or the Beatles will come along and show you the way. Otherwise, man, just let it be. I do not think you are. Speaking words of wisdom, I think you are needless and meddlesome.

Charle Sioux Charleton

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Vegetarianism key to saving resources

Dear Editor,

If we are to halt climate change and conserve fossil fuels, water, land and other resources – and reduce animal suffering – then we must kick our meat habit (Letter, Sept. 9). About 10 billion cows, pigs, chickens and turkeys are killed for food each year in the U.S. alone. The sheer number of animals killed to satisfy people's taste for flesh makes it impossible to raise and slaughter them all on small family farms. Animal abuse – and abusive industry practices – are the norm in factory farms and slaughterhouses.

Not only are animals suffering because people like the taste of their flesh, the environment is also being destroyed to raise animals for food. As a United Nations report revealed, the livestock sector is responsible for almost 50 percent more greenhouse gas emissions than transportation. Animal agriculture is one of the largest sources of carbon dioxide, and the single largest source of both nitrous oxide and methane, which is more than 20 times as powerful as carbon dioxide when it comes to trapping heat in our atmosphere. The meat, egg and dairy industries are also responsible for heavy defor-

estation, and according to the World Resources Institute, deforestation is responsible for approximately 20 percent of all climate change emissions

Dr. Rajendra Pachauri, the chair of the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, has implored people to have at least one meat-free day a week to help halt climate change. And when responding to criticism that measures to tackle climate change are partly to blame for the rise in food and energy costs, Yvo de Boer, the head of the United Nations climate agency, said, "The best solution would be for us all to become vegetarians."

When you consider not only climate change but also water and air pollution, the water squandered on animal agriculture, the vast amounts of land needed to grow feed for animals, and all the edible crops that are fed to animals instead of to malnourished people, you'll understand why refusing meat is a good solution to our environmental problems. For more facts, see *GoVeg.com*.

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